

The House went into Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions to amend the provisions of sections 432, 862, and 865, of the Canada Shipping Act, chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906.

*(In the Committee.)*

The following Resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved, That it is expedient to amend the provisions of sections 432, 862, and 865, of the Canada Shipping Act, chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, and to provide:—

1. That notwithstanding anything in Part VI of the said Act, the Governor in Council may, when it appears to him to be in the interest of navigation, appoint the Minister to be the pilotage authority for any pilotage district, or for any part thereof; and the said Minister shall thereupon supersede the then existing pilotage authority for that district or part of a district: Provided that nothing in said Part shall authorize the Minister to sit as a tribunal for the trial of offences of which pilots may be accused before the pilotage authority; but such Minister may, in any case not provided for by Part X of the said Act, designate a tribunal or officer to try any such offence.

2. That for and in respect of all ships entering a port to which Part XII of the said Act applies, and at which a Harbour Master is appointed, and discharging or taking a cargo, ballast, stores, wood or water, there shall be paid as fees the amount prescribed by paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) of section 862 of the said Act; that paragraph (h) be repealed; and that the following paragraphs be added to the said section:—

“ (h) for every ship over seven hundred tons and not over one thousand tons register, five dollars;

“ (i) for every ship over one thousand tons register, seven dollars.”

3. That the salary or remuneration of each Harbour Master shall from time to time be fixed by the Governor in Council, but shall not exceed the rate of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum, and shall be subject to the provisions prescribed by the said Act, providing for the payment into the Consolidated Revenue Fund of all moneys received by him for fees, after deducting therefrom the salary or remuneration fixed as aforesaid, and if the moneys received by him for fees in any year amount to a less sum than is so fixed, then such less sum shall be his salary or remuneration for that year.

Resolutions to be reported.

The said Resolutions were reported, read the second time and concurred in.

Mr. Ballantyne then obtained leave to present a Bill, No. 122, An Act to amend the Canada Shipping Act (Pilotage and Harbour Masters), which was read the first time, and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The Order being read for the House to go again into Committee of Supply; Sir Thomas White moved, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

After Debate thereon, the said motion was agreed to.

The House accordingly resolved itself again into Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

The following Resolutions were adopted.—*(Five-sixths of the amounts set forth below):*